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SUBJECT: EVERGREEN HELICOPTERS, INC.

REF STATE 118909 (DTG 141422Z MAY 76)

1. CARSON HELICOPTERS OF PERKASIE, PA. WAS GIVEN LETTER OF INTENT BY SAG EARLY THIS MONTH AND PRESIDENT OF FIRM, FRANKLIN CARSON, HAS BEEN SUMMONED TO RIYADH TO SIGN CONTRACT ON MAY 23 OF OFF-LOAD 2000 TONS/DAY FROM SHIPS AT JIDDA. SAUDI PARTNERS ARE PROVIDING PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE AND CARSON NOW RECRUITING PERSONNEL FOR JIDDA OPERATION. FIRST TWO HELICOPTERS WILL BE AIR-FREIGHTED COMMERCIALY TO SAUDI ARABIA COMING WEEK.

2. WE HAVE HEARD NOTHING POSITIVE AS TO CONTRACT WITH SAG FOR EVERGREEN. LATTER REPORTEDLY OFFERED TO REDUCE BID BUT SAG REJECTED OVERTURE. EVERGREEN HAS GENERALLY ACTED NEGATIVELY IN ONGOING NEGOTIATIONS ALLEGING TO SAG OFFICIALLY THAT CARSON AND OTHERS COULD NOT PERFORM AND HAD INSUFFICIENT AIRCRAFT. EVERGREEN REPS MADE SIMILAR STATEMENT TO EMBASSY OFFICER AND PREVIOUSLY ATTEMPTED GET OFFICIAL INTERCESSION ON CLAIM THAT "BRITISH" FIRM WAS PRINCIPAL COMPETITION AND ABOUT TO WIN THE CONTRACT.

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3. CARSON IS COMMITTED BEGIN OPERATIONS JUNE 9, 1976.

FYI. CARSON FORMED JOINT VENTURE WITH SHEIKHS ALI AND
FUAD SHOBOKSHI, OWNERS OF ELECTRICAL WORKS AND
MAINTENANCE ESTABLISHMENT (WTDR FEB. 23, 1976, JIDDA
TEL 1302) WHO ARE REPORTEDLY BACKED BY PRINCE
SAUD BIN FADH, SON OF CROWN PRINCE.

4. DESPITE ABOVE WHICH HAS BEEN CONFIRMED, JIDDA RUMOR
MILLS CONTINUALLY GRIND OUT REPORTS THAT EVERGREE HAS
WON HELICOPTER OFF-LOADING CONTRACT. SOURCE OF RUMORS
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